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PROVIDING MULTI-LAYER	:	
PROTECTION SWITCHING	:	
WITHIN A SUB-NETWORKING	:	
CONNECTION	:	

**AMENDMENT**

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In response to the Office Action dated August 23, 2007, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: